

APPY CHRISTMAS TIME APPROACHING WITH GLAD TIDINGS

Social Affairs and Home Gatherings, Christmas Exercises By The Sunday Schools Etc., and General Rejoicing Makes The Hearts of The Children Beat With Anticipation

The people of Burns are preparing for the Christmas cheer and there are many social affairs in forming for that period. There will be home Christmas trees besides the usual exercises by the Sunday schools, the Presbyterian Sunday school giving a very attractive program at Tonawama on the evening of December 24.

In addition to these there will be private gatherings of relatives and friends, some entertaining during the evenings and general good cheer.

Tonawama theatre will be the scene of several public entertainments during the week, the ball on Christmas night will be followed by the production of "The Girl of the Golden West", on Thursday night. On Saturday and Sunday nights there will be special programs of pictures for the many patrons.

The Masonic Lodge will hold its annual installation of officers at Masonic hall on the night of the 27th and quite likely the Eastern Star will also install jointly with the Masons as has been their custom for many years. This event always brings in a number of people from the country who look forward to this

night as a pleasant entertainment and opportunity to visit with the membership of the two organizations.

No doubt the young people will have many diversions and social gatherings during the time and indicates a very joyous and profitable Christmas time.

California Woman Seriously Alarmed
"A short time ago, I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale

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WE SHOULD PROTECT THE NATIVE DEER

Game Warden Mace Says The Time Is At Hand For Concerted Action To Prevent The Extermination Of The Much Hunted Deer, And Wants Citizens Co-Operation

Being the Game Warden of the county, I have probably been giving more thought toward the protection and preservation of our game and fish than has the average man.

In view of the fact that much of our native game is fast becoming extinct, it is time that all true citizens as well as the sportsman, lend their aid in assisting me to enforce the law which is aimed to preserve the various species, thereby continuing one of our great natural resources to be enjoyed by mankind for generations to come.

That beautiful animal, the deer, which is probably the most valuable of all our game, particularly needs our protection throughout this section, owing to certain natural conditions, and if we neglect our duty, the deer will soon pass.

As civilization goes out and crowds around the haunts of this game it is compelled to move back, until finally, it has only a small area under which to exist. In this climate the deer cannot exist in the territory where they most generally summer. The deep snows drive them to lower elevations and by absolute necessity they must come in close contact with settlement, and unless they have our protection they are bound to be driven back into the mountains to perish or to become the prey of the predatory animals.

A true citizen, whether a sportsman or otherwise, should be deeply interested in doing all he can to preserve this grand and stately deer, which by law of nature is combatting against terrible odds, and has but little chance to exist and that only by and thru us.

In Harney county there is an open season at which time the law permits the killing of a limited number of male deer. This season closes at or near the approach of winter. It is the nature of the deer at this time of the year to gather in droves and retreat to certain localities where it will be possible for them to winter.

There is only a limited territory in this portion of the country where it is possible for the deer to pull through the winter, and surely no good man could, after any thought on the subject, be so cruel at heart as to go upon the deer and kill them when and where they are hemmed in by civilization on one side and deep snows and impossible existence on the other. He would surely be worse than a "game hog"—a violator of the law both written and unwritten, and deserving of no mercy.

In some portions of the United States the people have come to understand and appreciate these things, and are taking part, co-operating with the State and government, by providing feed, at no small expense, in order to save the lives of the deer and elk during the winter season.

The main object of this letter is in the hope that every reader will be inspired by the thought and will awaken to a high standard of citizenship, and will do his part in caring for the game which is indeed a heritage for which we should be grateful.

It is my sworn duty to enforce the law and I hope to enlist you all in the cause and by co-operating, one with the other and all with me, we will save the deer.

H. B. MACE,
Game Warden for Harney Co.

CAPITALISTS PREDICT GREAT FUTURE FOR THE HARNEY VALLEY

Iowa Men Investing in Harney County Real Estate and Will Begin Active Work Developing And Improving The Tracts. Many People From Iowa Expected To Arrive In The Spring To Take Up Land

Among our visitants during the week were B. L. Allen, a banker of Laurens, who is associated with P. S. Weittenhiller in the purchase of some 3000 acres of land in the neighborhood of this city from the Oregon & Western Colonization Co., and W. E. Crowder of the same place, who has decided to buy three-quarters of a section just east of Burns, provided he can secure a price he considers right when he gets with Mr. Davidson in St. Paul.

Frank Johnson brought the party over from Prineville Monday and they looked over the country considerably while here, leaving on the return trip Thursday afternoon. Mr. Weittenhiller was here for several weeks during the early fall and negotiated the purchase of the land and had returned here a few weeks ago. Mr. Allen, his associate, had not been here before, therefore came on to look the field over. Mr. Allen is a man of wide experience and has looked over new territory considerable, but considers this the best place for investment he has found, as it is sure to grow rapidly and increase in value at a more rapid rate than any other section in which he has been interested.

Mr. Crowder is at the head of a big contracting concern that may engage in business in this section as it is a very good field for its operation. He has a ditching machine that does good work and at a most reasonable price. It is used in the Iowa section for drainage ditches, but here it would be used in connection with the irrigation systems in digging laterals throughout this big level valley, where conditions are ideal for his machine. It has been tried and is practical and economical. The machine is not built for big canal work as it is propelled by horses and there-

fore not made so large as would be necessary for the heavier work; another thing, it is not built for rock work, therefore not the machine for the big canals that are necessary to convey the water from the Silvers reservoir to the valley lands where it is to be used. The size machine Mr. Crowder considers best for this section is one that will dig a ditch about two feet deep, and sloping to six feet at the top. Such a machine is taken care of by 16 horses and capstans are used. It will complete at least 100 rods of ditch in a day. To those who went into the matter with Mr. Crowder it seems he received considerable encouragement favorable to his placing a machine in this country. However, during his short visit he had no opportunity to get out among the farmers who desire such work done. If any are interested they are invited to write Mr. Crowder at his home town.

These gentlemen state there is a great interest taken in this country by the people of Iowa. Many are talking Harney Valley and it is more than likely a large number from that section will arrive here early next spring to make their homes. Mr. Allen and Mr. Weittenhiller intend to put quite a number of people on the lands they have acquired, cutting them up in small tracts, then they will be developed as rapidly as possible. The gentlemen also visited the land shows recently held there they found interest keen in Harney Valley and are satisfied there will be a large number of people in here in the spring.

Mr. Weittenhiller accompanied the party out and will go from Bend to Spokane where he has headquarters, but latter he expects to return here to look after his interests.

Many Rabbits Destroyed

Although it snowed last Saturday night, making it more or less disagreeable, Sunday morning a large number of people, men, women and boys, went out to participate in the rabbit drive east of town. There were almost as many rabbits killed as on the previous Sunday and the interest and enthusiasm has not abated in the least, so we may look forward to the good work continuing with regularity throughout the winter season. The extermination at this season is particularly desirable as the pests multiply rapidly in the early spring and by killing them now it means more than several times that number in the spring.

A friend from Sunset told the writer the other day that he believed the rabbits were again becoming diseased as they died several years ago, at which time the pests died in such numbers they were almost extinct. He states he had noticed a few recently didn't look at all robust. What a blessing it would be to the farmers of Eastern Oregon if it

should prove true.

Many old time residents recall when the rabbits practically all died off in former years.

Beef Cattle From Old Mexico And Texas

Charles Kenyon and Baker Ball have gone to California and Texas to look up the cattle situation. They will go to El Paso and possibly down to Old Mexico. Many thousand head of cattle from that section have been brought to this state and there is room for thousands more on the ranges. These cattle are said to do well after the first year and make good beef stuff the second year. Ontario Democrat.

Auction Sale of General merchandise at Young's Store Saturday Dec 21 at 2:30 o'clock Terms Cash or Bankable note.

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STOCK MEN ARE NOT THE BIGGEST GAINERS

Although They Are The Producers and Legitimate Beneficiaries, Their Profit Is Small Compared To That Reaped By The Beef Baron's Trust of Chicago.

"Who makes the big money out of the cattle business, the stockraiser or the beef trust?" asks the East Oregonian. "The question comes up as the result of rather peculiar news from Chicago. A few days ago, the price of beef on the hoof in Chicago was \$12 per hundred. It is said to be the highest price ever reached in the open market. Along with the quotations is the announcement that there is a decrease of 300,000 head in the annual beef supply. This is to account for the advance, of course, and it is true that the herds are being reduced.

"The strange part of the news from Chicago is the announcement that the business of the Chicago stock yards will exceed that of last year by at least \$30,000,000. It seems from this that the beef barons do not believe in allowing the shortage of cattle to reduce their own profits in the slightest. Apparently they are not content to allow the stockman to reap the benefit of a shortened supply. The beef trust also must share in the gain despite the fact that it is not a producer and has no just claim on the producer's profits. Just how much of the profit the trust takes and how much it allows the grower to keep one can only judge in the light of what highwaymen generally do when they have an opportunity."

Build Up Your Soil By Crop Rotation

"The question on the successful farm of today is a question of building up the soil, increasing profits, interesting the farmer in his work, and giving him an opportunity to get ahead," said Prof. H. D. Scudder at the Oregon Agricultural College in addressing an audience of visiting farmers.

"The best way is by rotation of crops. The advantages of rotations are many. The different crops require different plant foods, and differ in their ability to take various plant foods from the soil. The difference in the period of growth of plants and in the season of growth, enable a rotation to secure and utilize the plant foods where continuous cropping would not. Rotations get rid of weed, insect and disease pests which take one crop and multiply in one cropping season, but with a variety of crops would disappear.

"There is great economy in the labor of the farm where rotations are used, as it is possible then to keep the hands and the land busy. This naturally increases the income, as the farm is a producer in all seasons. What would you think of a merchant who sold goods only from June to October and then laid off? This is a common practice with 99 per cent of the farmers of Oregon."

He then stated the requirements of a good rotation as being, briefly: 1 cash producing crop; 2, legumes; 3, a cultivated crop; 4, live stock. He urged the necessity of a definite system, growing a uniform amount of each product every year, giving each field the same attention in rotation, getting a definite market return, and employing a uniform amount of labor each season.

Remember W. A. Goodman is prepared to roll your barley, bale hay and saw wood. 37

SAGE OF HARNEY CO. TALKS ON CABINET MAKING PROSPECTS

President-Elect Wilson Should Take Lesson From Taft's Experience In Selecting Secretaries, Wm. Hanley Says. Also States Progress of Railroads and Views of Education

William Hanley, the sage of Harney county, who is in Portland for a few days, has been putting himself in place of Woodrow Wilson, the president-elect. "If I were Wilson," observed the philosopher of interior Oregon in his quaint way to a Journal reporter, "I think I'd feel that I was on trial before the people of this country. I'd take a lesson from poor old Taft. He didn't have any nose. He couldn't tell whether the footprint's were goin' or comin'. He always had to have someone tell him."

"Now, Taft had a little circle of politicians about him. They told him for appointments to secretary of the interior this man Ballinger of Seattle was all right. Taft didn't know any better. He appointed him. Look at the results. Then he appointed Fisher of Chicago, after Ballinger had to quit because the people wasn't going to stand for him any more. Fisher was to placate Roosevelt and Pinchot and he re-presented the east.

"Wilson now is called upon to make cabinet appointments. He's goin' to appoint a secretary of the interior. He's got a

lot of names to choose from. But what will he do? Everything depends on what he will do. The test of a great man isn't how much he can do alone, but how much he can get out of others in service. For secretary of the interior, will he appoint Joe Teal, who represents the best interests of the west. Let's see.

"Out in my district we sometimes have a cattle drive. So I do what they call 'shuffling the men.' That is, I change 'em around until I have men I think will get along all harmonious together for 15 days that call out all there is in men. If the men don't get along the cattle suffer and the reflection is on me. Those cowboys are my cabinet. The cattle are the affairs of this country. I'm the president. If I handle that herd right through my boys, the people, who are the owners, will think well of me. But if I'd fail to get the right kind of men around me—well, you can see how the owners—the people—might lose their beef.

"Now, Joe Teal was born in Oregon. He was bred in Oregon. He is a product of the west. His

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